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Minsk, Sovetskaya Belorussiya, 17 Aug 52

Workers of the Gomsel'mash Plant have promised to fulfill their 1952 plans for gross and commodity production, as well as their products-list plan ahead of schedule; to turn out production worth 3 million rubles by saving materials; to raise labor productivity 2 percent above the plan; to lower production costs one percent beyond the plan; to accumulate 800,000 rubles above the plan; and to save about one million rubles by adopting innovations.

Average labor productivity at the plant has been greatly increased and production costs have been reduced.

HONOR 19TH PARTY CONGRESS -- Tashkent, Pravda Vostoka, 5 Sep 52

Workers of the Chirchiksel'mash Plant have assumed the following obligations in honor of the 19th Congress of the VKP(b):

1. To fulfill the September plan for agricultural machines early and produce an additional 540 GZh machines, 100 PRO-25 machines, 40 S-18 machines, and 273 UKP machines.
2. To raise labor productivity 5 percent above the plan.
3. To fulfill the 1952 plan for spare parts for the GZh machine by 20 September.
4. To fulfill the 1952 plan for 10,700 KD-924 parts, to make 15,000 plowshares in September, and to produce spare parts worth 300,000 rubles in September.
5. To save 100,000 kilowatt hours of electric power and to put a 1½-ton forging hammer into operation in shop No 6.

FAULTY EQUIPMENT -- Vil'nyus, Sovetskaya Litva, 15 Jul 52

Feed grinders made by the Vil'nyus Komunaras Agricultural Machinery Plant do a poor job of crushing large oil cakes and grain owing to their faulty design. The Ministry of Local Industry Lithuanian SSR does not provide adequate technical personnel or sufficient materials for the plant's efficient operation.

FORESTRY MACHINERY -- Kishinev, Sovetskaya Moldaviya, 25 Jul 52

The Kishinev Forestry Machine Plant, which makes winches and hand cultivators for nurseries, recently shipped 900 hand cultivators to USSR shelter-belt stations.

BUILD 2-KILOMETER-LONG CONVEYER -- Moscow, Trud, 8 Aug 52

The Rostov-on-Don Krasnyy Aksay Agricultural Machine-Building Plant is located on a steep bank of the Don River, while its warehouses and railroad line are located down the hill. Three intershop conveyers were built in 3 months. A 2-kilometer-long overhead conveyer now links the basic subassembly and machine assembly shops. The cost of transshipment has been reduced by 25 percent.

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NEW COTTON SPEED SORTER -- Frunze, Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, 26 Aug 52

The All-Union Central Scientific Research Institute of the Cotton Industry, which is in Tashkent, has built a new machine for sorting cotton seeds. The work was conducted by a group of scientific workers headed by I. I. Khokhlov, Candidate of Technical Sciences and Stalin Prize winner.

The pneumatic sorter, set up at cotton plants, processes 100 tons of seeds in a 24-hour period. Tests have shown that the germinability of seeds increases 7 percent after sorting. The Kanibadam Machinery Plant of the Ministry of Cotton Growing USSR will make the new sorters.

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